

CLEAN VERSION OF SPECIFICATION PARAGRAPHS

[0065] Representative adhesion values for various materials have been reported such as for example: acetate tape 107 g/cm; masking tape 227 g/cm; and package sealing tape 830 g/cm. (U.S. Patent Nos. 5,194,299 incorporated herein by reference). For comparison purposes, preferred adhesion values for the instant invention are in the area of 5 to 50 grams per centimeter width. The tack should be so much as to prevent slip but not so strong to interfere with easy repositioning.

[0083] Figure 3 is a sideview of a nonwoven shown as two mirror image panels 4 and 4' folded along longitudinal axis 2. Stitching 1 can be used to join the panels.

Alternatively, other conventional means of joining such as gluing, hot melting or thermal bonding, stapling, fiber entanglement, and the like can readily be selected in place of stitching. Longitudinal axis 2 can also be positioned along the bottom with mirror image panels 4 and 4' then folded upwards instead. Microencapsulated adhesive is placed on the external surface of panels 4 and 4'.

[0084] Figure 4 is a schematic of disposable footwear according to the invention. Panel 4 is folded along longitudinal axis 2 and fastened together with stitching 1. Around the footwear opening a resilient material such as a stretchable elastomeric 3 is provided for snugly securing the footwear.